IN THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- (Currently amended) A structure for mounting a front fender, comprising:

 a front fender that is coupled to a front fender mounting portion formed in a front fork with a fastening member; and
- a holding member having a collar portion and an elastic portion, wherein the collar portion that is coupled to the front fender mounting portion and the front fender by the fastening member;

wherein a tip portion of the holding member <u>elastic portion</u> is extended to a position separate from the front fender mounting portion <u>such that only the tip portion is disposed against a reverse surface of the front fender</u> to support [[a]] <u>the</u> reverse surface of the front fender.

- 2. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein the holding member is interposed between the front fender mounting portion and the front fender.
- 3. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein the holding member is disposed inside the front fender mounting portion.

- 4. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein an elastic body is interposed between the tip portion of the holding member and the reverse surface of the front fender.
- 5. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein the front fender and the holding member are mounted on the front fender mounting portion with the fastening member via an elastic member.
- 6. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein the fastening member is a bolt.
- 7. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 6, wherein the bolt is stepped.
- 8. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein the holding member further includes a portion for mounting a reflector.
- 9. (Original) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 8, wherein the portion of the holding member for mounting the reflector extends backward from a side opposite to that of the tip portion.

- 10. (Currently amended) A motorcycle, comprising:
 - a vehicle frame including front forks;
 - a front wheel suspended by the front forks;
- a front fender that is coupled to a front fender mounting portion formed in each respective front fork with a fastening member; and
- a holding member having a collar portion and an elastic portion, wherein the collar portion that is coupled to the front fender mounting portion and the front fender by the fastening member;

wherein a tip portion of the holding member <u>elastic portion</u> is extended to a position separate from the front fender mounting portion <u>such that only the tip portion is disposed against a reverse surface of the front fender</u> to support [[a]] <u>the</u> reverse surface of the front fender.

- 11. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the holding member is interposed between the front fender mounting portion and the front fender.
- 12. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the holding member is disposed inside the front fender mounting portion.
- 13. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein an elastic body is interposed between the tip portion of the holding member and the reverse surface of the front fender.
- 14. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the front fender and the holding member are mounted on the front fender mounting portion with the fastening member via an elastic member.

- 15. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the fastening member is a bolt.
- 16. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 15, wherein the bolt is stepped.
- 17. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 10, wherein the holding member further includes a portion for mounting a reflector
- 18. (Original) The motorcycle as claimed in claim 17, wherein the portion of the holding member for mounting the reflector extends backward from a side opposite to that of the tip portion.
- 19. (Currently amended) A method for mounting a front fender, comprising:

 providing a front fender that is coupled to a front fender mounting portion
 formed in a front fork with a fastening member;

coupling a holding member that is coupled to the front fender mounting portion and the front fender using the fastening member; and

allowing [[a]] an elastic tip portion of the holding member to extend to a position separate from the front fender mounting portion such that only the tip portion is disposed against a reverse surface of the front fender to support [[a]] the reverse surface of the front fender.

- 20. (Original) The method as claimed in claim 19, further comprising interposing an elastic body between the tip portion of the holding member and the reverse surface of the front fender.
- 21. (New) The structure for mounting a front fender as claimed in claim 1, wherein a space is formed between the front fender and the holding member.